



NOTICE: Policy Update

HANDICAPPED ON-STREET METERED PARKING

On Oct. 12, City Council adopted a motion to activate all parking meters within a 30-day period. For minutes from the meeting visit:

<http://www.ashevillenc.gov/WorkArea/showcontent.aspx?id=24414>.

Beginning Nov. 12, parking customers displaying handicapped parking placards or license tags will be required to pay parking meters. Designated handicapped parking spaces will continue to be unmetered.

For more information about parking opportunities for people with disabilities, please call Neighborhood Coordinator Marsha Stickford at 259-5506.

Parking maps are available here:

<http://www.ashevillenc.gov/residents/transportation/parking/default.aspx?id=1036>.

Parking is free for the first hour in each of the city's parking decks.

Timeline for implementation

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| Oct. 27 – Nov. 12 | Communicate information about the change through direct contact between community and Neighborhood Coordinator
UNDERWAY |
| Oct. 27 – Nov. 12 | Parking services to place educational flyers about the change on windshields of cars displaying a handicapped placard and/or license tag
UNDERWAY |
| Nov. 1 – Nov. 12 | Post update information under Asheville Progress page on website, broadcast information on the Asheville Channel
COMPLETE |
| Nov. 5 – Nov. 12 | Distribute information about the change through social and traditional media
UNDERWAY |
| Nov. 12 – Nov. 19 | Issuance of warning citations for parking customers displaying handicapped parking placards or license tags who are parked at expired meters. Educational flyers will also be placed on these cars. Distribute information about the change through social media. |

Nov. 12 Prepaid parking permits available at the Parking Services office at 45 Wall Street

Nov. 19 Meet with Mayor's Committee for Citizen's with Disabilities
Begin issuance of overtime parking citations

Moving Forward Staff will continue to work with stakeholders concerning ways to soften the impact on people with disabilities.

Battery Park Apartment residents that have a valid handicapped placard and/or license tag will be able to park in the Civic Center Parking Garage at no charge until December 19, 2010. In addition, these same residents can now purchase a discounted monthly pass in the Civic Center Parking Garage for \$35 per month instead of \$70 per month.

Prepaid parking permits will be available at the Parking Services office at 45 Wall Street beginning Nov. 12. Each permit allows for parking up to five hours on one day without operating a meter. For contact information and hours, please visit:
<http://www.ashevillenc.gov/residents/transportation/parking/default.aspx?id=448>.

Staff will look for additional ways to make prepaid parking permits available to the public.